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SUPPLY OF NEWSPAPERS IN AMRITSAR-DELHI SHATABDI EXPRESS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways provide daily newspapers in the Shatabdi Express running between Amritsar and Delhi for the use of travelling passengers;

(b) if so, the names of newspapers published from Punjab provided to passengers in the said train;

(c) whether the facility of providing some of the newspapers published from Punjab in the said train has been withdrawn recently;

(d) if so, the names of such newspapers alongwith the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the Railways propose to restore those newspapers in the said train;

(f) if so, the details thereof; and

(g) the criteria laid down for selection of newspapers to provide to the travelling passengers?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI NARANBHAI J. RATHWA)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): Punjab Kesri, Ajit, The Hindustan Times and The Indian Express published from Punjab, are supplied to the passengers of Amritsar-New Delhi Shatabdi Express trains in the morning,

(c) to (f): Do not arise.

(g): Selection of newspapers is done on the basis of passengers` liking and availability.